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RMSA in Rajasthan
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made funds available for setting up of libraries, laboratories, toilets, playgrounds and classes under 'Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan' to the educationally backward States including Rajasthan; and
(b) if so, the total funds allocated for this purpose during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) and (b) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) was launched in 2009 with an aim to universalize access to secondary schools by providing a secondary school within a reasonable distance of every habitation. The scheme provides financial assistance for additional classrooms, science laboratories, libraries, computer rooms, art/craft/culture rooms, toilets, drinking water facilities, etc. in new secondary schools and existing secondary schools to all States/UTs. Details of State/UT wise funds released for non-recurring components under RMSA during the last three years including to the State of Rajasthan is annexed. For the current financial year 2016-17, an amount of Rs. 2220.00 crore is available in the budget for non-recurring activities.

No separate funds for playgrounds for secondary schools are provided under RMSA. The Framework for implementation of RMSA provides that schools not having playgrounds will use playground in neighborhood schools or the Community playground. The Community, Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS), Member of Legislative Assembly Local Area Development Scheme (MLALADS) may also contribute towards development & maintenance of playgrounds.
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